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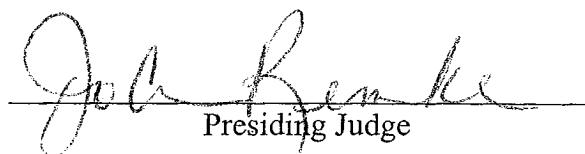
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REVIEW DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE BAR COURT
IN BANK

IN THE MATTER OF STEPHEN BENJAMIN COHEN, State Bar No. 54995,
A MEMBER OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

Since respondent **STEPHEN BENJAMIN COHEN, State Bar No. 54995**, has been convicted of violating 26 United States Code section 7202, a felony,¹ under the authority of rule 9.10(a), California Rules of Court, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that respondent be suspended from the practice of law, effective May 28, 2008, pending final disposition of this proceeding. It is further ordered that respondent comply with rule 9.20, California Rules of Court, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of this suspension.

The review department reserves the moral turpitude classification of 26 United States Code section 7202 and District of Columbia Code section 47-4102(b). The parties are invited to file briefs within 20 days of the date of service of this order addressing whether a violation of these statutes involves moral turpitude per se.


Presiding Judge

¹ Respondent was also convicted of violating District of Columbia Code section 47-4102(b), a misdemeanor.



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
[Rule 62(b), Rules Proc.; Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Case Administrator of the State Bar Court of California. I am over the age of eighteen and not a party to the within proceeding. Pursuant to standard court practice, in the City and County of Los Angeles, on May 7, 2008, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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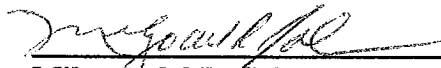
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on **May 7, 2008**.



Milagro del R. Salmeron
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